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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: SGEN
SUBJ: KATHERINE MANSFIELD PLAQUE IN NEW CHANCERY

1. FORMER BUILDING ON SITE OF NEW CHANCERY WAS OCCUPIED
BRIEFLY BY NZ WRITER KATHERINE MANSFIELD. N.Z. WOMEN
WRITERS' SOCIETY MADE HALF-HEARTED EFFORT TO PREVENT
DEMOLITION OF OLD BUILDING, THEN REQUESTED THAT SMALL PLAQUE
BE PLACED IN LOBBY NEW CHANCERY COMMEMORATING FACT THAT
MANSFIELD LIVED HERE. FORMER ADMIN OFFICER ROMANO AGREED
IN PRINCIPLE, SUBJECT TO ACTUAL WORDING OF PLAQUE.
SOCIETY HAS NOW RAISED MONEY FOR PLAQUE AND THE SUGGESTED
TEXT IS AS FOLLOWS:

"BETWEEN 1906 WHEN SHE RETURNED FROM SCHOOL IN LONDON,
TO 1908 WHEN SHE LEFT NEW ZEALAND FOR EVER, KATHERINE
MANSFIELD, DISTINGUISHED NEW ZEALAND WRITER LIVED IN THE
HOME OF HER FATHER, SIR HAROLD BEAUCHAMP, ON THIS SITE."

2. PLAQUE WILL BE 12 X 18 INCHES, BRONZE, RAISED LETTERING
HIGHLIGHTED ON A DULL TEXTURED BACKGROUND, AND FIXED
TO THE WALL BY FOUR CONCEALED BOLTS.

3. EMBASSY PERCEIVES NO OBJECTION TO THIS PLAQUE AND REQUESTS
DEPARTMENT APPROVAL.
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